



10th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to see all our pupils settling into term two. As we look ahead there are a number of important dates in the lead up to the Christmas Festivities to make you aware of.

Wednesday 15th November – Parent's Evening



Pupils in Frogs, Honeybees, Hedgehogs, Foxes, Squirrels, Badgers and Years 7-9 will have Parents Evening and we look forward to seeing you at your allocated times. Please do come to the hall for refreshments and to see information on different areas including a visitor from NELFT.

Friday 17th November – Children in Need



Children may wear their own clothes and bring in £1 to support Children in Need.

Friday 1st December – Money Tree Day



We will be running a stall at the Christmas Fair, where envelopes with cash in are hung on a Christmas Tree, we would appreciate any support you can give us. These envelopes will be coming home on Monday 13th November for you to add any amount of cash you are able to donate. Please ensure these envelopes are back in school by Friday 1st December. You can then visit the stall and pay 50p to choose an envelope and win whatever is in the envelope!

Friday 1st December – Choc or Bot Day



This is a Non School uniform day and pupils may wear their own clothes if they bring in chocolate, treats or a bottle to donate for the Christmas Fair. Items should be taken to the cookery room on arrival to school. Bottles can include anything, bubble bath, squash, tomato ketchup along with drinks bottles. Treats can include chocolates or sweets.

Monday 4th December – Christmas Post Box

John Smith Eagles Class

The school Christmas post box will be open for service. Please help your children to address the envelopes.

Wednesday 6th December – Christmas Fair



Please come along to our Christmas Fair 4.30pm-6.30pm.

Monday 11th December – Key Stage 1 & 2 Productions



Parents of pupils in Frogs, Honeybees, Hedgehogs Foxes, Penguins, Squirrels, Falcons and Eagles are invited to watch our Christmas Production. Parents and Carers are invited from 1.20pm for a 1.30pm start. Please inform staff and transport if you wish to take your child home after the performance.

Please note the reserve date for this performance, should we have bad weather is Tuesday 12th December. Timings will be the same as the Monday.

Wednesday 13th December – School Christmas Lunch



Children are encouraged to wear their Christmas jumpers for this festive event. Please send in £2.30 for the dinner.

Friday 15th December AM – Carol Service



Our Carol Service for secondary pupils will be held at St Andrews Church, Barming. All pupils will be walking to and from the church.

Monday 18th December PM – Christmas Parties



Classes will be having Christmas Parties and a visit from Father Christmas for the younger children. Children may wear their own clothes for the party.

Tuesday 19th December – Secrets Room



We will be opening our Secrets Room. Children may bring in money for them to select a present, have it gift wrapped and labelled. Presents will be £1 each and pupils are allowed to spend a maximum of £5.00 for 5 gifts.

This is also the last day of term and pupils can wear their Christmas jumpers once again.

Winter Weather

Please ensure that children have a winter coat which they may wear in school. Please ensure it is named. In the event of a school closure, due to snow or bad weather, please check the Kent Closures website on <https://www.kentclosures.co.uk>.

A text will also be sent to parents, please ensure we have the most up-to-date telephone number for you.

Term begins for all classes on Thursday 4th January 2024.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Mrs M Cleave'.

Mrs M Cleave
Headteacher